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Dear Mr. Adler,

Jim Lesar, who represents me in FOIA litigation, has sent me a copy of your list of cases related to S. 1324. Jim is on dealine in an appeals brief so he did not tell me why. I presume it was so that I might be able to inform you.

I have not been able to follow these efforts to amend FOIA but the proposed changes, as reported lo ng ago, would immunize the most significant of CIA records for some people because they are within the tentacles of that octopus, the Office of Security.

The CIA's list is incomplete in two serious areas: it does not include all litigation that could be affected and it omits entirely all requests that have not gone to litigation. Like some of mine going back to 1971. And a number of 1975-6.

Withheld CIA information is involved in my C.A.78-0322/0320 consolidated. (They are trying to rewrite the Act again through me in this litigation and I encourage you to learn about this. I'm in contempt for refusing to provide court-ordered discovery. If they do not back down this will go up on appeal and then all you people will find the Act effectively gutted if they prevail.) Much CIA information related to the JFK assasination is withheld under a series of requests they have been able to stonewall because I've not been able to sue.

The OS handled much if not all the illicit domestic activity, ranging from the Olson (MKUltra) case investigation to even book reviews. CI also had involvements. Either or both were involved in spying on the 1973 convention of Bud Fensterwald's Committee to Investigate Assassinations (as was the Secret Service but my recollection is not certain with regard to the CIA components) and I'm pretty sure it was OS that had plain flatfoot reports on the organization, probably from the DC police.

And they lie. OS disclosed to me that it had files on me that it told the CIA's general counsel it did not have. So, the general counsel wrote no files and I got the memo referring to where filed, with a line through it and "not sent" written on the draft to the general counsel.

Give any component any FOIPA immunity and all they want to withhold will be filed where immune.

I think the case given as Hock v. CIA may be Hoch, Paul.

Good luck!

Harold Weisberg

cc: Jim Lesar